

ONEIDA INDIAN NATION



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October 25, 2006

Mr. Philip N. Hogen
Chairman, National Indian Gaming Commission
1441 L St. NW, Suite 9100
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Chairman Hogen:

Thank you for your September 27, 2006 letter requesting information regarding the impact upon the Oneida Indian Nation of the proposed amendments to Class II gaming standards under consideration by the National Indian Gaming Commission.

The information you have requested focuses upon the impact of the proposed amendments upon existing gaming operations at our casino. Since Turning Stone Resort & Casino does not currently use many gaming machines that would be directly affected by the amendments, the impact of these proposed amendments upon our existing operations would not be as significant as the impact upon other tribes. The Oneida Indian Nation's objections instead relate to other aspects of the proposal, much of which I addressed during my oral testimony on September 19. We may follow-up my oral testimony with written testimony that provides specific comments and recommendations about the substance of the proposed amendments. In the meantime, please contact me if I can provide you with any further information.

Thank you, again, for your consideration of our position.

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Nation Representative

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